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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
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TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2834

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kouichi IHATA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2834

Application No.: 10/620,443

Examiner: D. SCHEUERMANN

Filed: July 17, 2003

Docket No.: 116626

For: AUTOMOTIVE ALTERNATOR HAVING RECTIFIER MOUNTED ON HEATSINK PLATE WITH COOLING FINS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the October 25, 2005, Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

On page 2 of the Office Action, claims 1, 4, 11-13, 15, 17, 18, and 29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Tsuchiya et al. (Tsuchiya), U.S. Patent No. 4,841,182 in view of Abadia et al. (Abadia), U.S. Patent No. 5,883,450, Irie et al. (Irie), U.S. Patent No. 5,710,467, and Aeschlimann et al. (Aeschlimann), U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0178899A1. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

On page 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner asserts that Aeschlimann discloses, "the minus heatsink plate 22 and the plus heatsink plate 20 forming a two-story structure in an axial direction." (emphasis added). The Examiner also asserts that Aeschlimann discloses,